(b) what were the qualifications of the persons who have been appointed to the said post since Delhi Administration took over the College in 1974; and

(c) whether any relaxation in the essential qualification was accorded to any of the incumbents and if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) (i) Degree in Homoeopathy from a recognised University at least four years Diploma in Homoeopathy from a recognised Homoeopathic Faculty or Board or equivalent.

(ii) At least 10 years teaching and administrative experience in a recognised teaching Homoeopathic Institution of repute.

(b) Two persons have been appointed since the College was taken over by the Delhi Administration. Their qualifications are given below:

(i) Dr. O. P Rastogi
Educational qualification and Experience:

a. D.M.S. Hom.(Gold Medallist) State Faculty, West Bengal)

b. M.B.S. Hom (Hons:) (Council of Homoeopathy, W. Bengal)

c. D.F. Hom. (London) (Faculty of Hom. London)

d. Hom. Physician, Government of Rajasthan from 20.5.63 to 20.7.68.

e. Hom. Physician C.G.H.S. from 22.7.68 to 28.2.72.

f. Sr. Research Officer|Assistant Advisor Hom. Minister of Health from 1.3.72 to 24.4.75.

(ii) Dr. V.K. Gupta:

Educational qualification & Experience:

a. G.H.M.S: (Hons:) 5 years Degree from Kanpur University.

b. 14 years teaching and administrative experience in Nehru Homoeopathic Medical College and Hospital.

(c) No, Sir.

Promotion of Chief Law Assistant in Northern Railway

3421. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any channel of promotion of Chief Law Assistant in the Northern Railway;

(b) if so, what is the basis of these promotion;

(c) whether the Law Officer is overall incharge of the Law Branch and Legal Cells of the Northern Railway;

(d) if so, what is manner in which the Law Officer is appointed;

(e) whether the post of Law Officer is an ex-cadre post; and

(f) if so, how the present post of the Law Officer of Northern Railway was filled up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Chief Law Assistants have an avenue for promotion to the Group 'B' posts of Assistant Law Officer and Estate Officer. On the Northern Railway there is only one Group 'B' post of Estate Officer and there is no Group 'B' post of Assistant Law Officer. They have therefore been provided an avenue for promotion to the Group 'B' posts in the Commercial Branch also.

(b) Promotion is on the basis of selection.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The post of Law Officer on the Northern Railway is in Senior Scale. Vacancies arising in the post of Law Officer in Senior Scale on the Railways are filled, to the extent of 66-2|3 per cent, by promotion, on the basis of selection of Group 'B' Assistant Law Officers|Estate Officers who have rendered not less than eight years of regular service in Group 'B'. The remaining vacancies to the extent of 33-1|3 per cent are filled by transfer|deputation of officers.

(e) The post of Law Officer is not an ex-cadre post when filled by the promotion of Assistant Law Officer/Estate Officer.

(f) The Senior Scale post of Law Officer is at present operated in Group 'B' and has been filled on ad hoc basis, pending regular arrangement in Senior Scale.

Inquiry into distributions of Corn-Soya milk supplied by CARE

3422 SHRI RAM AWADHESH SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that gifts of Corn-Soya milk being distributed by CARE to primary schools in M.P.;

(b) whether Government have received any complaints from Betul of infested products in paper bags which are of poor quality and bags do not contain any information regarding date of manufacture, expiry date or the details of the contents;

(c) whether Government are aware that many children taking this Corn-Soya milk have been contracting ailments, including boils and abscess; and

(d) if so, whether Government propose to hold any inquiry into the matter?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO): (a) Bulgar wheat supplied by CARE is generally distributed in primary schools unnnder MDM programme. Corn-Soya milk is distributed only occasionally to avoid interruption in feeding in primary schools where bulgar wheat stocks do not reach due to transport problem.

(b) and (c) No such complaints have been received by the Government of Madhya Pradesh or the District Administration. Corn-Soya milk is supplied in three ply craft paper with polyproylene lining inside. There is no expiry or manufacturing date on the bags. Details of the contents are given on the bag.

(d) Does not arise.

Purchase of Boeing Aircraft

3423. SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have issued a letter of intent to the Boeing Company for purchase of 21 Boeing 757 (Passenger aircraft) during December, 1987;

(b) whether the decision to purchase these Boeings was taken in the year 1985-86;

(c) whether any tenders were invited for this purpose;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the reasons for the withdrawal of of the above letter of intent?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) No letter of intent was issued to the Boeing Company for purchase of 21 B-757 aircraft during December, 1987. However, on the 24th of July, 1984, with Government approval Indian Airlines had issued a letter of intent to the Boeing Company for the purchase of 12 B-757 aircraft.

(c) and (d) Indian Airlines did not call for any tenders. Indian Airlines carried out a techno-economic study of the then available aircraft in 1983-84 The technical and commercial offers were received/obtained from the respective aircraft manufacturers

(e) Because of the techno-economic advantages of Airbus A-320 aircraft over the B-757 aircraft, the former was preferred.